

**WNF Executive Meeting Minutes**  
DATE: Wednesday, February 10, 2021  
7:00 a.m. Eastern Standard Time  
Via Go-To-Meeting

**Attendees:**

Canada – Iva Lloyd (Chair)  
Australia – David Casteleijn  
Australia – Tobey Pinder  
Brazil – Fernando Hellmann  
South Africa – Stephen Farrugia  
Spain – Tina Hausser  
Switzerland – Eva (for Fabrice) Leu  
United States – Moira Fitzpatrick  
Jon Wardle – Secretariat  
Dave Deeley – Assistant Secretariat

**Regrets:**

DR Congo – Ysu Umbalo  
Hong Kong – Benita Perch  
India – Dhananjay Arankale  
Mexico – Blanca Morgando  
Portugal – Noémia Rodrigues  
Slovenia – Erika Brajnik

***Next Meeting: Special meeting - May 12, 2021 - 3:00 PM - 5:30 PM (EDT)***

**Agenda Items**

- 1) *Approval of November 10, 2020 Minutes*  
Motion to approve the November 10, 2020 Minutes: Tina Hausser  
Seconded: Stephen Farrugia

**Motion carried**

2) *Membership*

a. *New Education members*

Scuola Italiana di Scienze Naturopatiche (Italy)

Motion to Approve: Fernando Hellmann

Seconded: Eva Leu

**Motion carried**

École d'enseignement supérieur de naturopathie du Québec

Motion to Approve: Iva Lloyd

Seconded: Eva Leu

**Motion carried**

b. *Membership renewal up-date*

In the first 10 days of renewal:

42% of Full members have renewed

25% of Associate

15% Educational

30% Non-profit Sponsors

20% Corporate Sponsors

This are the best February results. DD to follow-up past members to encourage re-joining. Officers may be called into action to follow-up members who don't respond.

*c. Moving Associate members to non-profit status.*

Discussion to come at General Assembly in 2022.

DD to follow-up with US State Associations and cc Moira Fitzpatrick about non-profit sponsor membership.

*3) General Assembly 2021*

a. Due to travel restrictions the 2021 GA will be moved to 2022

b. A Special Meeting will be held in its place on May 12, 2021 - 3:00 PM - 5:30 PM (EDT).

Motion to approve rescheduling the GA to 2022 and replace with a Special Meeting: Fernando Hellmann

Seconded: David Casteleijn

**Motion carried**

*4) HTA - Naturopathy*

a. The HTA is a 400+ page text book for governments that defines the naturopathic profession. The overview chapters will be ready for review at the end of the month. Each WNF member has been invited to submit 2 reviewers.

b. The review is NOT a grammar check but a content review to ensure accuracy about that country or region.

c. Reviews must be complete by the end of March. First draft will be ready in April – publication in 2021.

*5) Strategic Plan up-date*

a. See attached document with up-dated membership numbers

*6) Committee Up-dates*

*a. Education Document*

i. Sent to all members to check their world region for accuracy

ii. Discussion of *Technology Enhanced Learning* document – what would be an acceptable amount of virtual (non-face-to-face) learning time

*b. SoMe*

i. Instagram showed good growth in last year

ii. Committee suggestion to start Linked-In account

- iii. Considering a SoMe assistant to maximize impact
  - iv. Suggestion to combine 3 regional group Facebook pages into private WNF Page
    - v. Iva thanked Tina for her SoMe efforts on WNF's behalf
  - c. *Research Committee*
    - i. Creating a plan to disseminate research amassed by WNF
    - ii. Planning info graphics to share information
    - iii. Focused on Diabetes, Women's health and Mental Health – sharing and connecting with other associations
  - d. *Environmental Health*
    - i. Plan to launch website and promote videos at Special Meeting in May
  - e. Regional Support Groups
    - i. EU Group meeting in January – discussion on vaccines and a decision that it is best for naturopathic practitioners to stay out of this conversation for now.
- 7) Up-dated meeting dates/times
- i. Meetings moved to Wednesday
  - ii. Note morning meetings will start ½ hour later
  - iii. Will alternate between morning and afternoon
  - iv. Revised Calendar invites will follow
    1. **Officers** - April 14, 2021 - 7:30 AM - 8:30 AM (EDT)
    2. **AGM** - May 12, 2021 - 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (EDT)
    3. **Officers** - July 13, 2021 - 3:00PM - 4:30 PM (EDT)
    4. **Executive** - August 11, 2021 - 7:30 AM - 8:00 AM (EDT)
    5. **Officers** - October 13, 2021 - 7:30 AM - 8:30 AM (EDT)
    6. **Executive** - November 10, 2021 - 3:00 - 4:00 (EST)

There being no other business the call ended at 8:27 am local time.